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TO: Ravalli County Commissioners

FROM: George H. Corn

DATE: September 25, 2007

RE: Middle East Fork Litigation

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This is an update on the above-referenced litigation. At the end of August the Ninth Circuit issued an Order stating that the panels that heard our preliminary injunction retained jurisdiction over the Middle East Fork appeal. Although it is never certain how the panel will look upon our suit, they have ruled in our favor twice and, in particular, denying the motion for state pending appeal of summary judgment decision.

Also in this matter, Julie Weis, our attorney, filed a Bill of Cost which was in the amount of \$494.40. Two weeks ago, the Court agreed that we were due those costs and today, Julie's firm received a check in the amount of \$494.40. This is almost unheard of and I think it bodes well for us and ill for Wild West Institute.

I told Julie to retain the money in their account since we agreed to pay a few additional costs and this should cover that.

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